4-H, FFA & OTHER YOUTH FAIR PREMIUM BOOK

September 17 - 23, 2023

St. Joseph County Grange Fair
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Fair Admission, Ticket and Camping Information

2023 St. Joseph County Grange Fair

Gate Admission Passes

Fair gates open at 8:00 a.m. each day Sunday, September 18 through Saturday, September 24.

Adults	\$8.00
Children (12 years and under)	FREE
Season Pass (1 person only):	
Purchased before Sept. 1Purchased Sept. 1 and after	
Parking (Sunday through Saturday)	FREE
Special Day Prices (8:00 a.m. to closing)	
Kid's Day (Monday) 18 and under	FREE
Senior Citizens' Day (Wednesday)	\$6.00
Veterans' Day (Friday)	\$5.00

Grandstand Show Tickets

No refunds on show tickets. No smoking is allowed in grandstands or bleachers. No laser lights are allowed in the grandstand or track.

Harness Racing (Mon. & Tues. at 12 p.m.)			FREE
Antique Tractor Pulls	(Friday at 8 a.m	.)	FREE
2023 Pulling Special	(Grandstand sea	ats only)	\$35.00
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Sunday - Farm Truck			
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Saturday – Too Hot to	o Farm Tractor F	Pulls & Modified	Truck
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Saturday – Regional			
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Pulls at 7 p.m.			
	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$6.00

Michigan State Law Regarding Fair Admissions: Any person who shall wrongfully or maliciously gain admission to the fairgrounds contrary to the rules of said society, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be subject to a fine of not less than one (1) or more than twenty-

five (25) dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days, or such fine and imprisonment both, at the discretion of the court before whom the offender may be tried.

Fair Camping

Reserve your camp site now for \$220.00 for two weeks of camping. Call 269-467-8935 for reservations! All prices are subject to change.

- Week Admission Pass (limit 2 per campsite) \$25.00/person
- Daily Admission \$8.00/person

FREE

Children (12 years and under)

St. Joseph County Grange Fair camping rules (In accordance with the Michigan Health Department):

- The electric company requires all extension cords to be 12 ga. or larger.
- All campers in the upgraded area will require a 30amp RV plug or adapter.
- All campers, including pre-registered campers MUST check in with the camping office upon arrival to fill out papers and get passes.
- All campers MUST pay upon arrival
- All campers MUST have a permit
- All campers use Nottawa Drive-in Gate
- NO Gray Water pits

- No campfires or fire pits allowed
- Bicycles are NOT allowed on fairgrounds
- Each person in the camper must have a season pass. which can be purchased from the camping superintendent.
- All pets brought to the Fairgrounds must have appropriate papers and shots and be confined to the immediate campsite area. Pets may NOT accompany owners into commercial buildings, livestock barns, or on the grounds outside of the owner's campsite. Violation will be grounds for expulsion from the Fairgrounds and campsite with no refund.
- All pets shall be on a 6' leash and never unattended
- Only one (1) car per campsite
- NO refunds to persons leaving early.
- Camping superintendent has the authority to ask campers to move or leave the grounds.



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Carcass Goat Evaluation	5:30 p.m.
Carcass Hog Evaluation	6:00 p.m.
Carcass Sheep Evaluation	6:30 p.m.
Carcass Beef Evaluation	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 14

4-H Cat Show	6:00 p.m.
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Friday, September 15

Poultry Check-In	
Rabbit Check-In	4:00 p.m.
Sheep Check-In	4:00 p.m.
Swine Check-In	4:30 p.m.
Dairy Cattle Check-In	5:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 16

4-H Dog Show	8:30 a.m.
Beef & Dairy Beef Check-In	8:00 a.m.
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Sheep Check-In	8:00 a.m.
Swine Check-In	8:00 a.m.
Dairy Cattle Check-In	8:00 a.m.
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4-H Rabbit Interviews	2:00 p.m.
4-H Dairy Cattle Interviews	3:00 p.m.
*Skill-A-Thons and Interviews will end	at 6:00 p.m.

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... To Make the Best Better.

Sunday, September 17

4-H Horse Show (Day 1)	8:30 a.m.
4-H Rabbit Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Poultry Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Swine Interviews	9:00 a.m.
4-H Goat Interviews	9:00 a.m.
4-H Sheep Interviews	9:00 a.m.
4-H Beef Interviews	9:00 a.m.
*Interviews will end at 12:00 noon.	

Monday, September 18

4-H Horse Show (Day 2)	8:30 a.m.
4-H Goat Show	8:30 a.m.
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Open Class Goat Show	10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 19

4-H Horse Show (Day 3)	8:30 a.m.
4-H & Open Class Beef Cattle Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Dairy Beef Show	9:00 a.m.
4-H Sheep Show	4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20

10:00 a.m
3:00 p.m.
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6:45 p.m.

Thursday, September 21

4-H Small (Market) Animal Sale	10:00 a.m.
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Friday, September 22

4-H Sweepstakes Showmanship	
Contest	7:00 p.m.
4-H Fun Night	9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 23

4-H Horse Show (Day 4)	8:00 a.m.
Livestock Judging Contest	10:00 a.m.

*ALL TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Program

Sponsorship: The St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Program is the non-formal youth educational component of Michigan State University Extension, which is jointly funded by the United States Department of Agriculture, Michigan State University, St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association and the St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners. Many St. Joseph County businesses, civic organizations and private individuals provide materials and financial support for the 4-H program.

4-H Clubs: 4-H clubs are comprised of groups of five or more young people between the ages of 5 and 19 years in urban, suburban, small town and rural settings. 4-H clubs carry out a wide variety of educational projects in civic and community service, agriculture, home economics and other areas. Volunteer adult leaders and older 4-H members enrolled in the 4-H Teen Leadership project give 4-H members direction and leadership.

4-H clubs function democratically. 4-H members run their own clubs with the guidance of adult leaders, elect officers, help plan and hold meetings and select educational projects. Each club drafts its programs to suit its members and the localities in which they live.

Current Situation: 137 Cloverbud members ages 5-7 and 513 4-H members ages 8-19 are enrolled in 4-H this year (2023). These youth are members of one or more of the 19 4-H clubs in the county. These 4-H members have planned and conducted meetings and completed projects with the help and guidance of over 200 adult volunteer leaders and 11 teen leaders.

Emblem Colors and Pledge: The national 4-H emblem is a four-leaf clover with a letter "H" on each leaf. Club colors are green and white. The white background on the 4-H flag symbolizes purity. The green of the emblem represents nature's most common color, and is symbolic of youth, life and growth. The national 4-H pledge reads as follows:

I pledge My head to clearer thinking,

My heart to greater loyalty,

My hands to larger service,

My health to better living,

for my club, my community,

my country, and my world.

Contributions made by local businesses, civic organizations and private individuals help provide 4-H citizenship, leadership and "life skills" development activities throughout the year.



4-H Youth Division Code of Conduct for Exhibition at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair

In an effort to promote high standards of character and service to community the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board, MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development and the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council endorse the following code of conduct, which represent:

Conduct Expectations: Fair and 4-H officials expect courteous and orderly conduct by exhibitors and fair attendants. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward officials, judges, show manager, staff, leaders or other exhibitors will not be tolerated.

Members:

All 4-H members in St. Joseph County MSU Extension activities will:

- Accept their responsibility to represent St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs with dignity and pride by being positive role models.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner and exhibit good sportsmanship.
- Respect, adhere to and enforce the rules, policies and guidelines established by St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs.
- Abstain from and not tolerate physical or verbal abuse, profanity or threatening behavior.
- Comply with equal opportunity and antidiscrimination laws.
- Abstain from criminal activities.
- Under no circumstances, possess, sell or consume alcohol or possess, sell or use controlled substances or use any form of tobacco at an MSU Extension activity
- Under no circumstances, attend or participate in an MSU Extension activity or event under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances.
- Operate machinery, vehicles and other equipment in a responsible manner
- Accept and respect decisions made by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council and MSU Extension Staff.
- Under no circumstances steal or misuse 4-H property and/or donated funds

Failure to follow the code of conduct can result in discipline and penalties as stated on page 9.

Volunteers:

All 4-H Volunteer Leaders in St. Joseph County MSU Extension Activities will:

- Accept their responsibility to represent St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs with dignity and pride by being positive role models.
- Conduct themselves in a courteous and respectful manner and exhibit good sportsmanship.
- Respect, adhere to and enforce the rules, policies and guidelines established by St. Joseph County 4-H and MSU Extension programs.
- Abstain from and not tolerate physical or verbal abuse or profanity.
- Comply with equal opportunity and anti-discrimination
- Avoid criminal activities.

- Under no circumstances, possess, sell or consume alcohol or possess, sell or use controlled substances at an MSU Extension activity or event.
- Under no circumstances, attend or participate in an MSU Extension activity or event under the influence of alcohol and/or controlled substances.
- Accept the responsibility to promote and support MSU Extension program to develop an effective, county, state and national program.
- Operate machinery, vehicles and other equipment in a responsible manner.
- Accept and respect decisions made by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council and MSU Extension Staff.
- Under no circumstances steal or misuse 4-H property and/or donated funds.

It is imperative that all MSU Extension volunteers comply with the St. Joseph County 4-H Code of Conduct.

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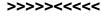
St. Joseph County Grange Fair 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division

General Rules

- Exhibitor Eligibility: Entry in the 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division is open to all youth ages 8-19 by January 1 (Cloverbud members ages 5-7 by January 1) of the current year who are duly enrolled (at the St. Joseph County MSU Extension Office) members of a St. Joseph County 4-H club or FFA chapter, or any other youth. Members must be enrolled by May 1.
- Exhibit Eligibility: Following are the rules governing exhibit eligibility:
 - A. Exhibitors may enter only one exhibit per class, unless otherwise noted.
 - B. The youth exhibitor must complete all exhibits.
 - C. School projects are not eligible as 4-H exhibits.
 - D. Exhibitors may not exhibit in a class that they have exhibited in at another fair during the current year.
 - E. Youth exhibitors may not enter an exhibit that has been exhibited at another fair.
 - F. 4-H members may not participate in St. Joseph County Sweepstakes if participated in a sweepstakes contest in another county in the current year.
- 3. **Liability:** The following is the policy of the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association:
 - The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association, its agents, volunteers and employees shall not be held liable in case of injury to exhibitors, concessionaires, or the public on the grounds of the St. Joseph County Grange Fair.
 - Every possible protection and courtesy will be extended to all at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair, but the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board/Association shall not be responsible for any loss of exhibits, animals or equipment in case of fire, theft or loss from any other cause.
- Entries: Each exhibitor must complete and submit a 4-H/ FFA & Other Youth Division Entry Form by Monday, August 14, 2023. Horse entry forms are due by August

- 1, 2023. Both deadlines are subject to change. Forms available online for download at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4_h fair.
- 5. Still Project Excused Absence: 4-H/FFA members who are unable (for a valid and excused reason) to be present for their still exhibits evaluation must:
 - A. Contact the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator prior to the fair to request approval of the absence.
 - B. Complete a one-page "Absentee Project Report Form" for each still project.
 - C. Arrange to have project(s) and absentee project report(s) delivered to the fair during the regular still exhibit project evaluation time.
- Livestock Excused Absence: 4-H/FFA members who are unable (for a valid and excused reason) to be present for their livestock evaluations must:
 - A. Contact the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator prior to the fair to request approval of the absence.
 - B. Complete a Market or Breeding record book for each livestock project for which he/she is enrolled.
 - C. Arrange to have project(s) and Market or Breeding record book delivered to the 4-H Program Coordinator by 4:00 p.m. Friday, September 8, 2023.
 - D. Make up Skill-A-Thon.
- 7. **Emergency Absence:** Emergency absences should be brought to the attention of the Extension 4-H Program Coordinator **in writing** as soon as possible for approval.
- 8. Fair Passes and Exhibit Tags (subject to change):
 - A. Exhibitors (13-19 years of age) and registered 4-H leaders and FFA advisors will be issued a fair admission pass.
 - B. Still project exhibitors must have their exhibit tag(s) in hand before starting through the project evaluation process. Exhibit tags can be picked up in Building #46 (red barn), unless otherwise stated on Saturday, September 16, 2023 starting at 8:30 a.m.
- 9. Judging:
 - A. The judge's decision is final.
 - B. All animal and still project exhibits will be judged according to the "Danish" (A, B, C) judging system unless otherwise noted. Each exhibit will be judged on its individual merit and an A, B or C ribbon and associated premium awarded accordingly.
 - C. All other classes will be judged in competition against each other and 1st-8th place "placing" ribbons and premiums awarded as indicated for each class.
 - D. Cloverbuds are encouraged to exhibit the work they complete in their 4-H groups or clubs. The setting must be noncompetitive, with equal recognition given to all participants. Participation ribbons will be given to all participants in Cloverbud classes.
- 10. Premiums: Premium table numbers are listed directly under each section heading (and in some cases for a given class), and refer to one of the premium payment tables inside back cover of the fair book. Note: In the event the receipts of the fair or MDA funding are insufficient to pay the expenses and premiums in full, the premiums will be prorated among those entitled to premiums.
- 4-H Livestock members DO NOT need a current <u>Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)</u> certification on file at the MSU Extension office for 2023.
- 12. **Ribbons/Rosettes:** Ribbons/rosettes will be awarded in all classes as specified in the Departments, Sections and Classes detailed in this book.

- 13. Trophies/Plaques: 4-H and FFA exhibitors who have been awarded a trophy, plaque or other special award must write a "thank you" note to each donor(s) in order to take the award(s) home at the conclusion of fair week. The "thank you" note must be properly addressed, stamped and submitted in exchange for the award in Building No. 43 10:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023. The 4-H St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council sells special 4-H "thank you" note cards (including pre-stamped envelope) at the 4-H Fair Office. The cost is \$2.00 per card/envelope "set".
- 14. **Special Awards:** Special awards (rosettes, trophies, plaques, gift certificates, etc.) will be given only for those exhibits judged worthy of this recognition by the judge.
- 15. Special Award Codes:
 - (P) = plaque
 - (R) = rosette appropriate to class
 - (T) = trophy
 - (PR) = plaque & rosette appropriate to class
 - (TR) = trophy & rosette appropriate to class
- 16. **Project Guidelines:** Refer to specific project guidelines (where they exist) for information on exhibit requirements.
- 17. Exhibit and Animal Release: All still project exhibits will be available to take home 10:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023 and 9:00 a.m. 12:00 noon on Sunday, September 24, 2023. All animal project exhibits will be released at 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 24, 2023. Attention: A fine will be assessed against any and all premiums earned on any and all exhibits removed prior to the published release times without the permission of the St. Joseph County 4-H Program Coordinator and the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board.
- 18. **Unclaimed Exhibits:** Any project exhibit not picked up by October 31 will either be donated to charity or disposed of as appropriate.
- Solicitations: Solicitations of any nature on the fairgrounds except by contracted concession or commercial rental spaces are prohibited.
- 20. Advertising/Free Merchandise: No person will be permitted to post or display signs, or distribute handbills or merchandise except under fair contract.
- 21. Pets: No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds.
- 22. **No Smoking Regulation:** No smoking in any building or tent on the fairgrounds by order of the fire marshal.
- Golf/ATV/Off-Road Vehicles Policy: Please check with the St. Joseph County Grange Fair at (269) 467-8935 or https://centrevillefair.com/fair-week-info/rules-and-policies/.
- 24. **Open Class:** The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board passed the following rule regarding cross-over into open class: 4-H youth exhibitors may enter the same animals in appropriate classes in the Open Class division of the fair if they do so by the **open class entry deadline, September 1, 2023.** The 4-H exhibitor will pay entry fees and housing fees.



General 4-H Livestock Rules

Introduction: The 4-H program is educational by design. Its first priority is to help youth develop character, community service and skills in preparation of serving others in society. Members should strive to present the animals they have in the best manner possible. Each member should willingly teach others the things they have learned and are learning in 4-H. Because of the priority of developing high character and service to others, all livestock exhibitors and families will care for and prepare their animals for showing in the areas designated by the appropriate livestock superintendent so that 4-H members and families can learn from each other.

Preparation, Care & Exhibition of Animals

- 1. Animals will be treated Humanely: All 4-H animals shall be brought to the fairgrounds in a clean and presentable fashion. All 4-H members and families shall provide feed and water daily between 6:00 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 8:00 p.m. All 4-H members and families shall not inflict undue pain for any purpose. If there is a question about the appropriateness of any treatment of an animal, the member or family members should get permission from the superintendent before implementing the practice. Abusive use of show aids will not be tolerated. Parents may intervene if safety or excessive handling is observed.
- 2. **"Report to Superintendent Immediately"** tags will be placed on any pen where animals have <u>not</u> been properly cared for by the exhibitor; *Explanation of tagging process:* 1st yellow tag = warning verbal. 2nd yellow tag = written warning. Red tag results in loss of privileges and may result in loss of monies. Refer to 4-H project Animal Certification/Care form for full details.
- Proper Fitting and Representation of Animal Information: The exhibitor is responsible for preparing their animal for presentation during the show. Immediate family members, grandparents, legal guardians, other current year St. Joseph County 4-H members or St. Joseph County 4-H leaders may assist them during fair week. However, the exhibitor must actively participate in the grooming of the animal as well. It is expected that the animals will be washed and clipped as allowed in species rules. Tampering with the color or quality of the animal's coat is not allowed unless species rules provide an exception. If there is a question about the appropriateness of a grooming or fitting technique the appropriate superintendent should be consulted for approval prior to using the technique. Tampering or misrepresentation of ownership, breeding, preparation or other irregularity in exhibiting will be considered fraud and deception. Any use of a professional fitter, groomer, arranger, etc. at the fair facilities is prohibited. Violation of this rule, as determined by the appropriate 4-H Superintendent and the St. Joseph County 4-H Program Coordinator will result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and the animal(s) will be removed from the fair facilities and market animals will not be sold at the auction.
- Fraud and Deception: Fraud and/or deception will not be allowed relative to any 4-H exhibit. Fraud and/or

deception being defined to include, but not limited to, the following:

- A. Tampering, altering, and/or misrepresentation relative to 4-H non-livestock projects (i.e., a 4-H non-livestock project may only be exhibited one time at the Fair).
- B. Tampering, altering, and/or misrepresentation relative to but is not limited to 4-H animal's breeding, age, ownership, and/or method of preparation or completion. (For example, with animal exhibits this includes, but is not limited to coloring that alters or misrepresents breed characteristics, pumping, drenching, and filling).
- C. Unethical fitting of animal exhibits is defined as the administration of any substance (to include, but not limited to, drugs covered in letter (D) below, blood, oils, steroids, air, chemical substances) or performance of any surgical or nonsurgical procedure altering the animal's configuration or natural conformation of any part of the animal's body, or rendering its tissues unfit for human consumption and is prohibited. Exceptions that are allowed to letters (A) & (B) above include hoof trimming, dehorning, removal of hair, manipulation of normally attached hair, castration, branding, tattooing, ear notching, docking of tails on sheep and swine, and coloring that does not alter or misrepresent breed characteristics.
- D. THE 4-H MARKET ANIMALS SHALL NOT CONTAIN any identifiable or unidentifiable foreign substance, including drugs, steroids, or chemicals, greater than those standards established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) or Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as permissible for sale for consumption as human food both on day of show and day of shipment to market from the fair. Test samples that may be collected from any 4-H animal exhibit shall be free of any foreign substance including any steroids, drug or chemical affecting the central nervous system (for example, stimulants, depressants or pain killers). Refusing such tests will result in disqualification and forfeiture of all awards.
- E. Species superintendent team may file documentation without filing fees if rules A D are not followed.
- 5. Animal Exhibitor Dress Code: Exhibitors may not wear any item that promotes their club's name or logo, a farm name, award(s) won by the exhibitor or species or breed associations while exhibiting in animal classes at the fair. Note: Volunteers working at the fair in support of a livestock show must also follow the Animal Exhibitor Dress Code during the show. Exhibitors must be dressed appropriately for shows and evaluations as specified in the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair Book under each species requirements.
- 6. Substitute Exhibitor: An exhibitor/parent/guardian may request permission in writing for a substitute showman from the project superintendent prior to the class being shown. Some valid reasons are: personal emergency or an approved scheduling conflict that prevents the exhibitor from being able to show their own animal. The substitute exhibitor must be a current year St. Joseph County 4-H or FFA member. Substitute showmen are not allowed in Showmanship classes.
- 7. **Assistant Animal Handlers:** Assistant handlers are allowed when an exhibitor has more than one animal in a market class. The assistant handler must be a current year St. Joseph County 4-H or FFA member.

- 8. Accommodations for Youth with Disabilities: Accommodations in judging will be given to exhibitors identified on fair entry forms prior to fair in writing as having a disability (physical, mental, emotional and/or learning) that affects their ability to compete effectively with exhibitors without disabilities. Youth with disabilities may be assisted, as necessary, during project evaluation and/or in the show ring by a parent/guardian, leader or other current St. Joseph County 4-H/FFA member. It will be the responsibility of the "assistant" to inform the judging clerk (in the case of project evaluation) or the show superintendent (in the case of animal science classes) of the reason for his/her presence at the evaluation or in the show ring.
- 9. Coaching is prohibited: Coaching of an exhibitor while they are in the show ring or participating in the evaluation of their project work is prohibited. Coaching is any behavior intended to direct the actions of a given exhibitor during the show or evaluation. Exhibitors determined to be the recipient of coaching may be disqualified from the class at the discretion of the project superintendent, judge and/or St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff. * Parents may intervene if safety or excessive animal handling is observed.
- 10. Examination and Testing of Project Animals: The St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council, St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of Directors and St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff reserve the right to order the examination or testing of any animal for any reason by officials or veterinarians appointed by any of the abovementioned organizations.
- 11. All 4-H Livestock members/clubs will be held responsible for cleaning and tearing down their project pen/stall at the end of fair. Individuals or clubs maybe assessed a \$50.00 fine for failure to do so.
- All pen/stall cards must be above pen/stalls by Sunday September 17, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. Any pen/stall without signs will be yellow tagged.

Filing a Rules Related Complaint

The following procedure will be followed regarding the handling of a 4-H rule violation complaint:

- Contact the appropriate superintendent or assistant superintendent and discuss your concerns with them to determine if rules have been violated. The superintendent may then choose to consult with local St. Joseph County MSU Extension staff. If you are not satisfied with the results of this process, you may file a complaint, see rule 2 and following.
- 2. Any person interested in bringing a 4-H rule violation complaint against a member must complete, sign and submit a "4-H Rule Violation Complaint Form" to the 4-H Program Coordinator within 24 hours of the alleged violation or becoming aware of the situation and within the seven (7) day fair time frame. Every effort should be made, if possible, to submit a complaint prior to an animal exhibition in a show. If an alleged violation happens after exhibition, a complaint form must be submitted no later than the last Saturday of the current fair week by 7:00 p.m. A \$25 cash filing fee per complaint form is due and payable at the time the complaint is filed. If the complaint is upheld, the filing fee will be refunded.

- The member and/or parent or guardian against whom a 4-H rule violation complaint has been filed has the right to read the complaint.
- 4. The animal may be placed under quarantine until appropriate examination and collection of samples for testing are completed.
- 5. The member or their parent/guardian against whom the complaint is filed (hereafter referred to as the respondent) is required to complete and submit a "4-H Rule Violation Response Form" to the 4-H Program Coordinator within 12 hours of receiving a copy of the "4-H Rule Violation Complaint Form" filed against them. The individual who brought the complaint (hereafter known as the complainant) has the right to read the response form.
- 6. Both the complainant and the respondent will be asked to appear before the 4-H/Executive Council Complaint Committee and Livestock Association representative for a hearing on the matter. Any 4-H member appearing before this committee must have their parents/legal guardians or their designee present and they may speak on behalf of the 4-H member. Each side has a maximum of 10 minutes to present the facts of their case, with the complainant speaking first. Each side also has five minutes for rebuttal. The Committee will deliberate as they determine appropriate and render its decision. Uponthe decision it will be final.
- 7. A written copy of the 4-H and Livestock Association Complaint Committee's decision and penalties assessed, if applicable will be delivered by the 4-H Program Coordinator to the respondent and the complainant as soon as possible after a decision has been rendered. If, for any reason, a decision regarding the rule violation cannot be rendered until after the fair, both parties will be notified by mail of the Committee's decision.
- 8. The St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of Directors has final authority over decisions involving the Fair per the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

4-H/Livestock Association Executive Council Complaint Committee: Committee is comprised of four persons designated by the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council Executive Council and 4-H Program Coordinator as well as the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board of 4-H Extension Liaison. Livestock Association Committee members. The 4-H Youth Council President, or their designee, will serve as the chairperson. If there is a conflict of interest with any of the above representatives, the 4-H Program Coordinator will choose a designee to stand in place of said representative.

Fair Management Rights: In addition to the right of protest provided exhibitors, the fair management reserves the right to take cognizance of fraud/deception or violation of rules in connection with a given exhibit and take such action as deemed just and proper. It also reserves the right of the Fair, MSU Extension, or their affiliated organizations to take action in a situation when behavior inappropriate to the purpose of 4-H or FFA that is not explicitly addressed in these rules has occurred.

4-H Project Animal Certification/Care Form: All 4-H members exhibiting animals at the fair are required to complete the "4-H Project Animal Certification/Care Form" and turn it into their club organizational leader by the deadline set by the leader. 4-H club organizational leaders must turn all Project Animal Certification/Care Forms for their club in with fair entry forms by August 11, 2023 (subject to change).

Penalties for 4-H/FFA Member Misconduct

When it is determined that a rule has been violated or misconduct has occurred while exhibiting in the 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division of the fair, any and all of the following actions may be taken:

- The exhibit in question shall be barred from the show if discovered prior to the show or disqualified if discovered after completion of the class or show. Other animals will be moved up a place.
- 2. Any or all other 4-H/FFA & Other Youth Division exhibits of the exhibitor may be disqualified and the animals may be made ineligible for the 4-H Market Livestock Sale. Should a rule violation be established after a market animal has been sold in the 4-H Market Livestock Sales, the sale will be voided.
- Awards and/or premiums earned by said exhibitor in any or all 4-H/ FFA & Other Youth departments may be forfeited and/or withheld pending final decision.
- 4. At the discretion of a committee comprised of the 4-H Youth Coordinator, the St. Joseph County Grange Fair Board 4-H Liaison, the St. Joseph County 4-H Youth Council Executive Board and Livestock Association, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from competition at the St. Joseph County Grange Fair for a period of up to three years.

Registration and Check-in

- Ear tags, leg bands and wing bands will be supplied, and tattoo numbers assigned by the St. Joseph County MSU Extension office. 4-H leaders and FFA advisors may borrow tagging pliers and tattoo kits for a maximum of three (3) days only.
- 2. Reweighing, at the request of the exhibitor, is prohibited.
- 3. Fair weigh-in and check-in times are listed in each appropriate section by species.
- All animals must be checked in by the exhibitor or an immediate family member unless prior arrangements are made in writing and filed at the MSU Extension office 24 hours in advance of check in times at fair.

4-H Livestock Association Market Livestock Sales

- Market animals must be shown at the fair in order to be sold in the 4-H Market Livestock Sales.
- Goats, poultry, rabbits: All market livestock will be consigned to the Small Animal Auction unless the Livestock Removal Authorization Form is submitted to the 4-H office by Tuesday, September 19 at 9:00 a.m.
- Swine, beef, sheep: All market livestock will be consigned to the Large Animal Auction unless the Livestock Removal Authorization Form is submitted to the 4-H office by Wednesday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m.
- 4. The Champion and Reserve Champion goat, steer, lamb and hog carcasses will be sold at the livestock auction.
- 5. Sale Times and Orders (2023): Two sale rings will be auctioning livestock at the same time in the Henningsen Show Arena; the small animal sale will be held in the east end and the large animal sale will be held in the west end.
 - Small Animal Sale: 10:00 a.m. Rabbits, Goats, Chickens, Turkeys

- Large Animal Sale: 10:30 a.m. Lambs, Market Beef, Dairy Beef Steers, Gallon of Milk, Dairy Feeder Steers, Hogs
- 5. Exhibitors showing two individual hogs or two individual lambs will sell their higher placing hog/lamb as an individual in the regular Large Animal Sale. The second individual animal will be sold as part of a weight-group. In the event both hogs or both lambs place as Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion both animals will sell as individuals.
- Sale Commission Fee: A four percent (4%) sale commission (subject to change without notice) will be charged on each lot sold through the sales.
- 7. Market Livestock Insurance: The St. Joseph County Grange Fair, Michigan State University or any of their affiliated organizations provides no insurance coverage for livestock animals. It is the animal owners' responsibility to provide insurance at their own expense and the animal owner is fully responsible for any veterinary fees.
- 8. After The Sale all 4-H members must:
 - A. Post a sign above their animal identifying the buyer and purchase price.
 - B. Care for market animals until they are shipped.
 - C. Write a "thank you" note to the buyer(s) of each individual, pen of market or weight group of livestock sold by the exhibitor and submit the note to the 4-H Fair Office by 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023. Sale checks will be held until the thank you note is submitted to the MSU Extension office. Thank you note envelopes must include the buyer's complete address, the exhibitor's return address and the appropriate postage. Buyer names and addresses will be available in Still Exhibit Barn #43 starting at 12:00 noon on Friday, September 22, 2023. Note: A separate thank you must be written to a buyer if they purchased different species. (i.e., bought swine, sheep and rabbits = 3 thank you notes.)
- 9. It is strongly recommended that market livestock not be returned to the farm for animal health reasons.
- 10. Resale of market livestock to a second party other than through the 4-H market livestock sales will be the total and complete responsibility of the parties involved.
- 11. Dairy Feeder Steers may <u>not</u> go for processing following the livestock auction; they **MUST** go to a farm or feedlot for a minimum of 30 days following the conclusion of the fair.

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Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development - Animal Industry Division

2023 Health Requirements for Livestock Exhibited in Michigan

The requirements for livestock exhibited in Michigan: The complete set of requirements can be obtained by downloading them from the Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development website www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo or by contacting the fair/exposition staff or livestock entry office.

Department 22 - Cats & Dogs

Cats and Cat Care Sandy Summey, Superintendent

General Rules and Information

- A cat is a feline over one year of age as of the show date.
 A kitten is any feline four months to one year of age as of the show date.
- Pregnant cats and kittens less than four months of age are ineligible to show.
- 3. 4-H Exhibitors <u>will not</u> be allowed to enter an exhibit in this specie department if exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
- For sections D & E exhibitor is NOT required to exhibit a feline for show.

Health Requirements

- Felines with infectious, contagious or toxicological disease may not be brought to the 4-H Cat Show (see leaders to learn requirements for receiving a "complete" for the project).
- 6. The exhibitor is responsible for documenting to their cat leaders that their feline(s) have received the required vaccinations:
 - Cats and Kittens: 3-in-1 vaccination and/or booster within past three years and receive their rabies booster within 12 months of the show or document from the veterinarian that the cat has received a three-year rabies vaccination within three years of the show date. Feline panleukopenia (distemper), rhinotracheitis and calci vaccinations (3-in-1) and booster 3 in 1 prior to the show.
- 7. If a licensed veterinarian did not administer vaccinations, the exhibitor must complete the 4-H Feline Vaccination Verification Form and submit it to their cat leader.

Fair Rules and Information

- 8. Feline must be brought to the fair in a well-ventilated carrier suitable for its size.
- 9. All cats must be removed from the fairgrounds upon completion of judging.
- 10. All cats must have their toenails clipped.
- 11. First-year exhibitors may show only one feline.
- 12. Second-year exhibitors may show one or two different felines. One entry per class.
- 13. Third-year and more advanced exhibitors may show up to four different felines. One entry per class.
- 14. The 4-H Cat Show date: **Thursday, September 14, 2023,** 6:00 p.m. in Fair Community Tent, registration is 5:30 6:00 p.m.
- 15. Cat must be shown with collar/harness and leash, and must be under the control of the exhibitor at all times.
- 16. Cat judging criteria:
 - Animal: Eyes clear and moist; ears free of parasites and dirt; well groomed; shiny coat that is free of dirt, dandruff and parasites; clipped nails; strong straight limbs; appropriate weight. No penalty for de-clawing.
 - Exhibitor: Handles feline in proper, considerate manner.
- 17. Reference materials available for download at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h dog project

Section A - Cat Fitting & Showmanship (Placing premium table = 102)

Class

- 600 Senior Showmanship, exhibitors 15-19 or 3rd year exhibitor and up. **(TR)**
- 601 Intermediate Showmanship, exhibitors 12-14 or 2nd year exhibitors ages 13-19. **(TR)**
- 602 Junior Showmanship, exhibitors 8-11 or 1st year exhibitors ages 8-12. **(TR)**
- 603 Super Showmanship: <u>All</u> previous years' class winners from classes 600 and 601 are eligible to compete. <u>Pre-registration is required</u>. (TR)

Section B - Household/Purebred Cats and Kittens (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Class

- 604 Longhair Female Cat.
- 605 Shorthair Female Cat.
- 606 Champion Female. (PR)
- 607 Reserve Champion Female. (R)
- 608 Longhair Male Cat.
- 609 Shorthair Male Cat.
- 610 Champion Male. (PR)
- 611 Reserve Champion Male. (R)
- 612 Male/Female Kitten.
- 613 Champion Kitten. (PR)
- 614 Reserve Champion Kitten. (R)
- 615 Purebred Cat/Kitten.
- 616 Champion Purebred. (PR)
- 617 Reserve Champion Purebred. (R)
- 618 Grand Champion. (PR)
- 619 Reserve Grand Champion. (PR)

Section C - Outstanding Feline Personality

- 1. Awarded to any cat or kitten entered into the show.
- 2. This award recognizes a feline for its outstanding behavior and personality.

Class

620 - "Feline Personality Award". To be awarded to the feline with the best feline personality. **(P)**

Section D - Cat Husbandry (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Educational Objective: To show knowledge gained throughout Cat Husbandry Project year.

- Exhibitors should show knowledge gained from the study of cats and cat care, and should consist of a plastic or 3ring binder notebook.
- To obtain a copy of the "4-H Cat Husbandry Guidelines" requirements for each year in the project visit https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4_h_dog_project
- 3. Judging will take place at the Cat Show on **Thursday**, **September 14, 2023**.

Class

- 621 Level I
- 622 Best-of-Show in class 621 (TR)
- 623 Level II
- 624 Best-of-Show in class 623 (TR)
- 625 Level III

- 626 Best-of-Show in class 625 (TR)
- 627 Level IV
- 628 Best-of-Show in class 627 (TR)
- 629 Level V
- 630 Best-of-Show in class 629 (TR)
- 631 Level VI
- 632 Best-of-Show in class 631 (TR)

Section E - Cage Decorating & Cat Craft (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Educational Objective: To show creativity and original work encompassing a central theme for your cage or Cat Craft.

- The exhibitor has the choice of either decorating one of the 4-H cat "holding cages" provided at fair (cage dimensions are 18" high, 24" long, and 24" wide) or his/her own cat carrying or show cage or crate.
- 2. No costumes on cats/kittens.
- Decorations must cover the back and sides of the cage.
 The front of the cage may be covered but the door must be accessible and visible. Coverage on top of cage is optional. A blanket, cushion, etc. should be placed inside the cage for the feline to rest on.
- 4. Judging to be based on originality and neatness.
- 5. The exhibitor must change the theme for cage decorating each year.
- 6. All cat crafts and decorated cat cages will be kept and displayed during fair week.
- 7. Judging will take place at the Cat Show on **Thursday**, **September 14**, **2023**.

Class

- 633 Decorated cage
- 634 Best-of-Show in class 633 (TR)
- 635 Creative Cat Craft. (No premium)
- 636 Best-of-Show in class 635 (TR)

Dog Care and Training Katy Myers, Superintendent

General Rules and Information

- 1. The exhibitor must have access to the project dog on or before May 1 of the current project year.
- 2. The exhibitor must train the dog from May 1 through the fair.
- 3. 4-H Exhibitors <u>will not</u> be allowed to enter an exhibit in this specie department if exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
- 4. Dog must be trained in a St. Joseph County, Michigan 4-H dog club and attend at least one-half of the meetings/workouts offered by the dog club they are enrolled in, of the current year.
- 5. Each project animal will be judged on whether it has been properly conditioned, groomed and fit for show in any and all 4-H dog classes.
- 6. Exhibitors may exhibit no more than two dogs per class. The exhibitor must be prepared to complete the sits and downs in either a separate class or both dogs at the same time. If both dogs are in the same class handler must show both dogs with no handler assistance.
- 7. The judge's decision is final.

Health Requirements

8. The exhibitor must present his/her 4-H dog club organizational leader with documentation that his/her project dog has current license and required vaccinations,

documented with the St. Joseph County Canine Immunization and License Form. The club organizational leader is responsible for providing all completed forms to the Superintendent by June 1 of the current project year.

Fair Rules and Information

- Each exhibitor is required to participate in the dog project skill-a-thon on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 (see section P).
- Registration for ALL show classes will be Saturday, September 16, 2023, 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. in the Henningsen Show Arena. Project dogs will be brought into the show arena, shown, and taken home following the show.
- 11. Cloverbuds, Obedience, Showmanship, Rally, Agility, Grooming Inspections, Exhibitor Interviews, and presentation of Husbandry Notebooks will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2023 starting at 8:30 a.m.
- 12. All dogs exhibited at the fair must be kept on a leash when not being shown in the ring.
- 13. Exhibitors may use "slip" collars when exhibiting in 4-H dog obedience and/or rally classes at fair. No pinch collars, "halties" or other similar type of collars allowed. "Gentle" leaders may be used in the beginner Novice class and/or the Pre Novice-A classes. In Pre-Novice classes, leashes must be 6-foot long. In all other Obedience and/or Rally classes the leash need only be long enough to provide adequate slack for heeling in Obedience and to perform all Rally exercises. For Agility, see Agility guidelines.
- 14. **No outside the ring coaching allowed.** If coaching is observed, the judge can and will deduct points at their discretion.
- 15. Any dog showing excessive aggression as determined by show officials is to be reported to the Superintendent. Members may be asked to remove the dog from the show area and may be told the dog cannot be shown.
- 16. If an exhibitor's female dog is "in season" the day of the show, the following rules apply:
 - a. Exhibitors must notify 4-H Dog Project Superintendent at least $\frac{1}{2}$ hour prior to the start of the show that the dog is in season.
 - b. Exhibitors must keep the dog outside the show arena building until called by the ring steward to show in a given class. The dog must then be taken back outside the building until called for the next class. Dogs must be shown in one of the show rings inside the show arena.
 - c. Obedience class competition will be done on an individual basis after all other obedience classes have been completed, regardless of where obedience class in question is in "order of show".
 - d. If a given showmanship class line-up includes an "in season" female, the class will not be held until all obedience classes in the show have been completed. Therefore, the Dog Project Superintendent under this circumstance may change the published order of showmanship classes.
- 17. In <u>obedience</u> classes, if exhibitor's dog received less than 50% on the total score, he/she may remain in the same class the following year. **Exception:** If class has "A" and "B" divisions, exhibitor must advance to "B" division. Total years in class not to exceed 2 consecutive years. (i.e., One year in "A" and one year in "B" **or** two years in "B".) If they received less than 50% on three or more exercises, they do not qualify for a trophy and/or award. In Rally classes if a dog fails three (3) or more stations they do not qualify for a trophy and/or award.
- 18. In obedience, Agility, and Rally classes the exhibitor must show his/her dog at the next highest level at which the

- dog/dogs have received a qualifying score in any 4-H or non-4-H show.
- 19. In <u>obedience</u> classes, once a dog has advanced to the next higher-class level, it may not be dropped back to a lower-class level to show <u>except</u> if a new member is showing the dog, it may drop back multiple classes with approval of superintendent.
- 20. In any dog project classes, exhibitor must have an "A" rating in order to qualify for any trophy and/or award.
- 21. Each dog entered in any class of the Dog Project, must be judged on grooming on Saturday, September 16, 2023 in the Henningsen Show Arena as part of the scoring process. Any dog not judged on grooming will result in not being eligible to participate in the 4-H Dog Show for the current year.

Section F - Dog Fitting & Showmanship (Placing premium table = 102)

- Classes may be divided at the discretion of Superintendent and/or MSU Extension.
- 2. Exhibitors must show their own project animal.
- 3. All rules listed above apply to Dog Fitting & Showmanship.
- 4. Show lead with attached chain is **not** allowed.
- 5. To obtain a copy of the "Dog Project Dress Code" for information on dress code requirements for this section go to https://www.canr.msu.edu/st joseph/4-h/4 h dog project.

Class

- 700 Dog Fitting & Showmanship, exhibitors15-19 (TR)
- 701 Dog Fitting & Showmanship, exhibitors 13-14 (TR)
- 702 Dog Fitting & Showmanship, exhibitors 11-12 (TR)
- 703 Dog Fitting & Showmanship, exhibitors 8-10 (TR)
- 704 Top Dog Showman Open to 1st & 2nd place winners in classes 700 703. (Special T & R, U.S. Savings Bond)

Section G - Dog Obedience (A, B, C premium table = 6)

- See St. Joseph County 4-H Dog Obedience Project Guidelines (available on the 4-H webpage at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h dog project for specific requirements for each class of the Dog Obedience Project.
- Given dog and/or handler may only exhibit in "A" level classes one time.
- 3. A given dog may only be exhibited in "B" level classes one time unless the dog starts at the "B" level, and it had a non-qualifying score the first time it was exhibited at the "B" level.
- 4. The exhibitors 4-H Dog Project Leader, based on the observation of the exhibitor and their dog, determine eligibility for all obedience classes.

Class

- 705 Beginner Novice
- 706 Best in Class 705 (R)
- 707 Pre-Novice A (on leash), exhibitors 8-12 years old
- 708 Pre-Novice A (on leash), exhibitors 13-19 years old
- 709 Best of Show in classes 707 and 708 (R)
- 710 Pre-Novice B, exhibitors 8-12 years old
- 711 Pre-Novice B, exhibitors 13-19 years old
- 712 Best of Show in classes 710 and 711 (R)
- 713 Beginner Overall Champion (TR)
- 714 Novice A
- 715 Novice B

- 716 Best of Show in classes 714 and 715 (R)
- 717 Graduate Novice A
- 718 Graduate Novice B
- 719 Best of Show in classes 717 and 718 (R)
- 720 Intermediate Overall Champion (PR)
- 721 Advanced Graduate Novice A
- 722 Advanced Graduate Novice B
- 723 Best of Show in classes 721 and 722 (R)
- 724 Open A
- 725 Open B
- 726 Best of Show in classes 724 and 725 (R)
- 727 Pre-Utility A
- 728 Pre-Utility B
- 729 Best of Show classes 727 and 728 (R)
- 730 Utility A
- 731 Utility B
- 732 Best Exhibit in classes 730 and 731 (R)
- 733 Advanced Overall Champion (PR)

Section H - Dog Husbandry (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Educational Objective: To show knowledge gained throughout Dog Project year.

- See St. Joseph County 4-H Dog Husbandry Project Guidelines for specific notebook requirements for each year of the Dog Husbandry Project at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4_h_dog_project.
- 2. Plastic or 3-ring binder notebook must be added to each year and must be divided by year.
- 3. Dog Husbandry project evaluations will take place in the Henningsen Show Arena **Saturday**, **September 16**, **2023**. Notebooks and posters will be left with the Dog Superintendent. Results of the judging of the notebooks and posters will be available in the still exhibit barns throughout the week.

Class

- 735 1st-Year. See Rule 1
- 736 Best Exhibit in class 735 (R)
- 737 2nd-Year. See Rule 1
- 738 Best Exhibit in class 737 (R)
- 739 3rd-Year. See Rule 1
- 740 Best Exhibit in class 739 (R)
- 741 4th-Year. See Rule 1
- 742 Best Exhibit in class 741 (R)
- 743 Best of Show in Beginner Division in classes 736, 738, 740, & 742 **(TR)**
- 744 5th-Year. See Rule 1
- 745 Best Exhibit in class 744 (R)
- 746 6th-Year. See Rule 1
- 747 Best Exhibit in class 746 (R)
- 748 7th-Year. See Rule 1
- 749 Best Exhibit in class 748 (R)
- 750 8th-Year. See Rule 1
- 751 Best Exhibit in class 750 (R)
- 752 Best of Show in Intermediate Division in classes 745, 747, 749, & 751 **(TR)**
- 753 9th-Year. See Rule 1
- 754 10th-Year. See Rule 1
- 755 Best Exhibit in classes 753 and 754 (R)
- 756 11th-Year. See Rule 1
- 757 Best Exhibit in class 756 (R)
- 758 Best of Show in Advance Division in classes 755 & 757 (PR)

Section J - 4-H Leader/Service Dog Puppies (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Class

759 - Performance trial appropriate for type of service dog.

Section K - 4-H Leader/Service Dog "Puppy Program" Educational Exhibit (A, B, C premium table = 2)

Class

760 - Plastic or 3-ring binder notebook and 11" wide and 14" tall poster showing knowledge gained from study of a specific service dog puppy-training program. Notebook should contain information on the history of the service dog program in question, plus information on obtaining, socializing and training a puppy. The exhibitor must report on a different program each year.

761 - Best Exhibit in class 760. (R)

Section L - Specialty Classes (A, B, C premium table = 6)

- 1. The team is composed of four dogs and handlers, with each dog showing at Novice level or higher in the obedience classes at the current year's fair. All exercises will be executed at the same time except the "recall".
- The team may be composed of exhibitors from more than one club.
- 3. Each team member must make an entry in the Team class.
- 4. Each team class member will receive an A, B or C premium according to the team A, B or C rating.
- 5. Each member of the 1st place team will receive an award.
- 6. Brace is composed of two dogs coupled or uncoupled, handled by one handler during Novice exercises. Dogs must be novice level or higher (no Pre-novice).

Class

- 762 Team (See rules 1 4).
- 763 Champion in Class 762. (Special TR)
- 764 Brace (See rule 1 and 6).
- 765 Champion in Class 764. (PR)
- 766 Veteran's Class obedience class for dogs seven years old or older by January 1 of current year. Exercises to be performed and judged at the Novice level. Dogs entered in this class may <u>not</u> be entered in any class in Sections G or M. Dogs can be shown in any other class at highest level the handler and/or dog is qualified for. Documentation of dog's age must be provided to dog project leader.
- 767 Champion in Class 766. (PR)

Section M - Agility (A, B, C premium table = 6)

- 4-H Dog Project Leader(s) determine eligibility. First year exhibitors must complete and show a pre-novice obedience class in order to be eligible for agility class(es).
- 2. Dogs over seven (7) years old must have a signed veterinarian approval turned in to the club organizational leader by July 1, 2023.
- 3. Agility competitors must attend 50% of available agility sessions offered before the fair.
- Agility Levels/Classes: There are four levels of competition within the St. Joseph County 4-H Agility Program: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced and Graduate.

- Each level is further divided into class "A" and "B". "A" is for handlers and/or dogs that will be competing at a given agility level for the first time. "B" is for handlers and/or dogs that have competed previously in the "A" class of the agility level.
- A given dog and/or handler may only exhibit in "A" level classes one time.
- A given dog may only exhibit in "B" level classes with the same handler one time unless the dog and/or handler starts at the "B" level.
- 7. See St. Joseph County **4-H Dog Agility Project Guidelines** for specific requirements for each class of the
 Dog Agility Project at
 https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h_dog project.
- 8. Dogs will wear a flat buckle collar for all agility classes. Beginner Agility class participants will use a 3 foot leash. Dogs are not permitted to wear any collar tags.

Class

- 768 Beginner A.
- 769 Best in Class Beginner A (R)
- 770 Beginner B.
- 771 Best in Class Beginner B (R)
- 772 Beginner Overall Champion. (PR)
- 773 Intermediate A.
- 774 Best in Class -Intermediate A (R)
- 775 Intermediate B.
- 776 Best in Class Intermediated B (R)
- 777 Intermediate Overall Champion. (PR)
- 778 Advanced A.
- 779 Best in Class Advanced A (R)
- 780 Advanced B.
- 781 Best in Class Advanced B (R)
- 782 Graduate A.
- 783 Best in Class Graduate A (R)
- 784 Graduate B.
- 785 Best in Class Graduate B (R)
- 786 Advanced Overall Champion. (PR)

Section N - Rally Classes (A, B, C premium table = 6)

- See St. Joseph County 4-H Dog Rally Project Guidelines at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h dog project for specific requirements for each class of the Dog Rally Project.
- 2. A given dog and/or handler may exhibit in "A" level classes one time.
- 3. In all Rally classes handler and dog must receive a minimum score of 70 to qualify for trophy.
- 4. In all Rally classes if the handler and dog receive a nonqualifying score (less than 70) they may stay in same class at B level not to exceed 2 consecutive years.
- 5. Rally Levels/Classes: There are four (4) levels of competition within the St. Joseph County 4-H Rally Program: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced, and Excellent. Each level is further divided into class "A" and "B". "A" is for handlers and/or dogs that will be competing at a given rally level for the first time. "B" is for handlers and/or dogs that have competed previously in the "A" class of the rally level.
- A given dog and/or handler may only exhibit in "A" level classes one time.
- A given dog may only exhibit in "B" level classes with the same handler one time unless the dog and/or handler starts at the "B" level.
- 8. Intermediate, Advance and Excellent classes will be shown off-leash.

Class

- 787 Beginner A Rally.
- 788 Best in Class Beginner A Rally (R)
- 789 Beginner B Rally.
- 790 Best in Class Beginner B Rally (R)
- 791 Beginner Overall Champion. (TR)
- 792 Intermediate A Rally.
- 793 Best in Class Intermediate A Rally (R)
- 794 Intermediate B Rally.
- 795 Best in Class Intermediate B Rally (R)
- 796 Intermediate Overall Champion. (PR)
- 797 Advance A Rally.
- 798 Best in Class Advance A Rally (R)
- 799 Advance B Rally.
- 800 Best in Class Advance B Rally (R)
- 801 Excellent A Rally.
- 802 Best in Class Excellent A Rally (R)
- 803 Excellent B Rally.
- 804 Best in Class Excellent B Rally (R)
- 805 Master A and Master B.
- 806 Best in Class Master A and Master B (R)
- 807 Advanced Overall Champion (PR)

Section P - Dog Project Skill-A-Thon (No premiums - Ribbon only)

- Required participation by all exhibitors: All 4-H
 members exhibiting any type of dog project must
 participate in the 4-H Dog Project Skill-A-Thon. Failure to
 complete the appropriate skill-a-thon will result in their
 dog project animal(s) disqualification from the show(s)
 and require the removal of their dogs from the fairgrounds
 on show day.
- 2. The dog project skill-a-thon will take place at the fairgrounds in the Henningsen Show Arena on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 5:30 7:30 p.m.
- 808 Dog Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 8-11 years old (R)
- 809 Dog Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 12-14 years old (R)
- 810 Dog Skill-a-Thon exhibitors 15-19 years old (R)



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Department 72 - Educational Projects

Section ZK - Cloverbud Projects (No Premiums - Ribbons Only)

Learning Objective: To have fun creating and interacting with other Cloverbud members; learn about 4-H animals and display knowledge learned; learn new craft skills, and how to select tools for display; learn new gardening skills, and select a sample garden project for display.

- 1. All Cloverbuds may exhibit one exhibit in each class 72187-72211 as applicable.
- The Cloverbud Still Project Guidelines can be found at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/4 h_still_projects
- The Cloverbud demonstration animal species for 2023 are Dairy Feeder Steer, Sheep, Goats, Swine, Rabbits, Horses, and Dogs. A copy of the Cloverbud Animal Demonstration Guidelines is available for download at https://www.canr.msu.edu/st_joseph/4-h/cloverbud-corner
- 4. All projects that are framed must be ready to hang with a wire. **No** "saw tooth" style hangers.

Class

- 72187 Animal Demonstration: Dairy Feeder Steer Showmanship.
 72188 Animal Demonstration: Sheep Showmanship.
 72189 Animal Demonstration: Goat Showmanship.
- 72190 Animal Demonstration: Swine Showmanship. 72191 Animal Demonstration: Rabbit Showmanship.
- 72192 Animal Demonstration: Horse Showmanship.
- 72193 Animal Demonstration: Horse Equitation.
- 72194 Animal Demonstration: Horse Gymkhana.
- 72195 Animal Demonstration: Horse Costume.
- 72196 Animal Demonstration: Horse Driving.
- 72197 Animal Demonstration: Dog Showmanship.
- 72198 Animal Science Poster.
- 72199 Crafts Puzzles.
- 72200 Crafts Models.
- 72201 Crafts Construction Toys.
- 72202 Crafts Any Other Craft.
- 72203 Cultural Arts Plaster Craft.
- 72204 Cultural Arts Playdough.
- 72205 Cultural Arts Water Color.
- 72206 Cultural Arts Drawing.
- 72207 Cultural Arts Writing.
- 72208 Cultural Arts Any Other Cultural Arts project.
- 72209 Gardening Flowers.
- 72210 Gardening Vegetable.
- 72211 Gardening Indoor.



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Premium Tables 4-H & Other Youth Fair Premium Book 2023 St. Joseph County Grange Fair

Premium table <u>numbers</u> are listed directly under each <u>section</u> heading (and in some cases for specific classes), and refer to the premium tables listed below. The premium table for a given section applies to <u>all</u> classes in the section. **Exception:** No premiums are awarded in Best Exhibit, Best-in-Class, Best-of-Show, Champion, Reserve Champion, Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion classes. **Note:** In the event the receipts of the fair or MDA funding are insufficient to pay the expenses and premiums in full, the premiums will be prorated among those entitled to premiums.

A, B, C Premium Tables				
Table No.	"A" Rating "B" Rating		"C" Rating	
1	3.00	2.00	1.00	
2	4.00	3.00	2.00	
3	5.00	4.00	3.00	
4	6.00	5.00	4.00	
5	7.00	6.00	5.00	
6	8.00	7.00	6.00	
7	10.00	5.00	3.00	
7a	11.00	7.00	4.00	
8	15.00	10.00		
9	15.00	10.00	5.00	
10	18.00	11.00	7.00	
11	25.00	15.00		
12	25.00	15.00	10.00	
12a	25.00	18.00	11.00	
13	35.00	25.00		
14	35.00	25.00	15.00	

Placing Premium Tables								
Table No.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
101	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
102	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
103	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
104	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
105	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
105a	12.00	10.00	9.00	7.00	6.00	5.00	3.00	2.00
106	15.00	10.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
107	16.00	14.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	2.00



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